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Carnahan proposal could cause tuition hike

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State needs \$400 million to fund foundation formula

By JOHN HACKER

EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

tudents at Missouri Southern may be facing another tuition increase this summer if Gov. Mel Carnahan's education tax exchage is adopted by the Missouri Legislature.

College President Julio Leon told the Board of Regents vesterday

that Carnahan's \$400 million proposal to fund the embattled elementary and secondary education foundation formula includes \$50 million in budget cuts. Those cuts include axing the \$17 million increase for higher education.

"This leaves us facing the possibility of no increase in funding and even possibly cuts in our budget," Leon said.

This means many of the plans approved by the Board for next fiscal year will need to be reworked.

"It's fair to assume that we are going to have to go back and play with the whole budget," said Frank Dunaway, Regents president. Leon said the chances of another

tuition increase are good. "We reserved the right to come

back to the board [if something like

this happened]," Leon said. "We are not in a position to do that yet, however."

Leon said the state is under a court mandate to fix the foundation formula.

"The question at this point is whether to impose a tax or cut the budget," he said.

In other business the Board approved two faculty appointments. Robert Green was approved as assistant football coach and Dr. Steven Comstock was approved as

assistant professor of business. A long list of promotions was

approved by the Board. Four people were promoted from

instructor to assistant professor. These include: Gaye Pate, library: Robert Black, library; Nancy Loome, Career Planning and Placement; and Ann Allman, counseling.

Six people were promoted from assistant professor to associate professor. James Frazier, physical education; Dr. Tran Van Thuong, mathematics; Dr. William Stevens, business; Warren Turner, physical education; Dr. Sandra Scorse, dental hygiene; Dr. Elaine Freeman, retention and honors.

Terry Marion of the school of business was promoted from associate professor to professor. The board also approved dropping the middle school curriculum from the school of education. Robert Brown. vice-president for academic affairs, said those courses are already covered within the education program.

WHICH WAY IS UP?



Amy Coffey, sophomore criminal justice major, samples weightlessness on the gyro yesterday in front of Billingsly Student Center. The gyro was one part of the Spring Fling celebrations this week.

fund. This amounted to a \$4,335

Senior Vice President John Tiede

said the revenue received by the

yearbook could have been affected

"We do not take the head count

and multiply," Tiede said. "It is

figured due to two to three things.

One, if they get a refund; two, they

can be in the head count but not

pay fees, and then we have to drop

them; and three, if they take an off-

campus class, the (total hours

taken) could equal 12, but if three

hours are taken off-campus then

they would register with only nine

He said students are not charged

The printing for the 1991-92

eneded the Herff Jones

► CENTRAL MISSOURI STATE UNIVERSITY

Student shoots professor

Tension high after weeks of disorder

By JOHN HACKER

EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

entral Missouri State University has been rocked this past month by a series of events including the murder of a professor.

David Eshelman, a communications professor, was found dead outside of his home on April 7 from a gunshot wound to the head. Warrensburg police later arrested two suspects in the case.

On March 31, CMSU President Ed Elliott announced his resignation after eight years in office. The campus has also been plagued by

racial tension since last April's verdict in the Rodney King case.

"It's been a trying year," said Stephen Peterson, vice president for student affairs.

Peterson said the murder "was not related to the racial tension. It was an act against an individual faculty member by a student." He said Eshelman apparently had

one of the alleged assailants in a class. The reaction in Warrensburg has

been one of shock and disbelief. Peterson said. CMSU has been dealing with the racial tension in a number of differ-

ent ways. "Last spring, after the King verdict, several things precipitated a list of concerns by African-

Americans," Peterson said. "Over

the summer and this year, we have

there are still significant problems as far as communications and atti-

Peterson said tensions have been

taken measures to try to work

The amount of progress made so

far depends on the perspective, he

"Many people would say a great

deal has been accomplished as far

as changing attitudes," Peterson

said. "Others would say progress

has been slow. Some African-

American students would tell you

toward improving the situation."

said.

tudes."

body on edge.

exacerbated by recent events. Reports of white students intimidating and attacking black students and of pamphlets and flyers containing threats and derogatory remarks towards African-Americans have left the student

College reacts to CMSU slaying

By CHAD HAYWORTH

MANAGING EDITOR

espite the shooting death of a Central Missouri State University professor last week, members of Missouri Southern's faculty say they feel safe when they come to work each

"Any time you give a grade, there is the potential for a confrontation," said Annetta St. Clair, associate professor of political science. "But I'm not going to live my life worrying about things I can't con-

CMSU professor David Eshelman was found dead last week in the driveway of his Warrensburg home. Police later arrested two people, one who was enrolled in a class taught by Eshelman. Police refuse to speculate on a motive.

Southern Security Officer Terry Hylton said there were no reports of violence against any member of the faculty or staff in his recollection.

In fact, no member of the faculty contacted by The Chart could recall any incident of violence toward College employees.

"Even going back to the late 60s and early 70s when we had demonstrations going on here, I can't think of anything even close to that happening," said Glenn Dolence, vice president for student services. "There have been verbal confrontations, but nothing that was physically violent."

Hylton said random acts of violence are hard to predict, and even harder to prevent.

"It's not something you can plan for," he said. "You just wait for the call and then go and do what you

can."

St. Clair said she feels reasonably safe at the College.

"I don't feel threatened here," she

said. "In fact, the greatest threat on our campus is when you have to park across Duquesne Road from campus and cross the street." Hylton said campus security can

assist any student, faculty, or staff member who feels threatened while on campus. In addition, he said everyone needs to keep an eye out for their own welfare.

"Any job you take, I don't care what kind it is, you have to be concerned for your safety," he said.

Dolence said the College's open atmosphere is conducive to better

education. "Faculty names, addresses and telephone numbers are available fairly readily," he said. "I think our

faculty is really open and accessi-

STUDENT ACTIVITY FEE

'Crossroads' expenditures exceed receipts

College subsidizes publication costs

difference.

by three factors.

By KAYLEA HUTSON

DECUTIVE EDITOR

Itudent Activity fee monies paid to the Crossroads yearbook each semester do not cover the entire costs of the pub-

Each semester, students with more than 12 credit hours pay a \$20 activity fee.

Five dollars of the fee goes to publishing the yearbook.

The other \$15 is divided between he Campus Activities Board, Student Senate, and the Picnic

With the full-time students numering 3,656 in the fall of 1991 and 3327 in the spring of 1992, activi-

y lee monies should have amountto \$34.915. However, Crossroads received

The total expenditures by 1991-92 Crossroads came to \$36,372, which paid for the cost of printing.

for off-campus classes.

(on campus)."

base contract costs of \$33,900 by \$2,472.

The total costs of the yearbook exceeded the allocated funds by \$5,792

"In effect we subsidize it," Tiede said. "It is part of a learning experience, and part of the total college learning experience."

Tiede said historically the Crossroads budget is handled through his office and Dave Throop in the business office.

He said they work in conjunction with Jean Campbell, Crossroads adviser, and Herff Jones to iron out the contract with Herff Jones.

Tiede said the budget is not administrated strictly by the communications department because the funds are derived from the activity fee.

But that could change.

"I [suspect] that we are going to do that next year," Tiede said. "Even though the finances are through the student fees, it would

be more efficient to run everything through Mr. (Richard) Massa (communication department head)."

The contract with Herff Jones calls for 2,300 yearbooks to be

Approximately 560 1991-92 yearbooks have yet to be picked up. "I assume that is based historical-

ly on what has been picked up," Tiede said. Campbell said it would not be

books to cover every full-time student. "It would be terribly wasteful to

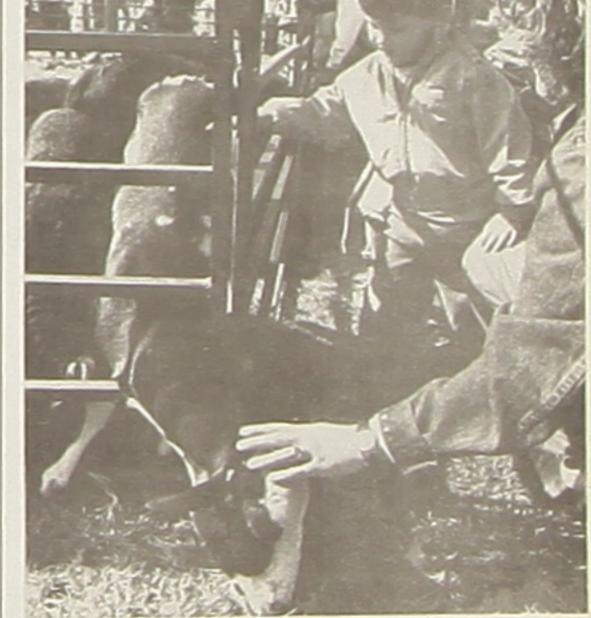
financially feasible to print enough

print 4,500 books, and not have them picked up," she said. With the small contract printing

order some students might not be able to receive a year book.

Tiede said in the eventuality that not every full-time student who wanted a yearbook did not receive one, another printing would be done.

KID MEETS KID



T. ROB BROWN/The Chart

One of the younger visitors enjoys the Great American Circus Friday.

COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

Instructor trades job for priesthood

Kumbier 'optimistic' about transition

By LESLIE KARR

STAFF WRITER

eaving Missouri Southern to become a priest is not something that Instructor of Communications Janet Kumbier decided to do on a whim.

"It's taken me a long time to act on my decision, but now that I have, I don't think anything is more right for me," she said. "God will provide for people. Once you accept the calling, things fall into place.

"Somehow, I anticipate there will be problems that just fall away."

Kumbier is fully confident in her decision.

"I'm not scared at all," she said. "Sometimes I ask myself why I'm not scared. I'm certainly at a point of not knowing where this will take me, however, I'm not at all apprehensive. I'm extremely optimistic. I'm making a leap of faith knowing God will provide for me. Since He has called. He will take care of details."

In order to become a Episcopal priest, Kumbier said she must earn

a bachelor's degree, then attend a seminary for three years. Kumbier will attend either the General Theological Seminary in New York City, or the Episcopal Theological Seminary of the Southwest in Austin, Texas.

Tomorrow, Kumbier will travel to New York to be interviewed, and to look over the program. The following Friday, Kumbier will do the same in Austin.

After visiting the seminaries, she plans to make a decision.

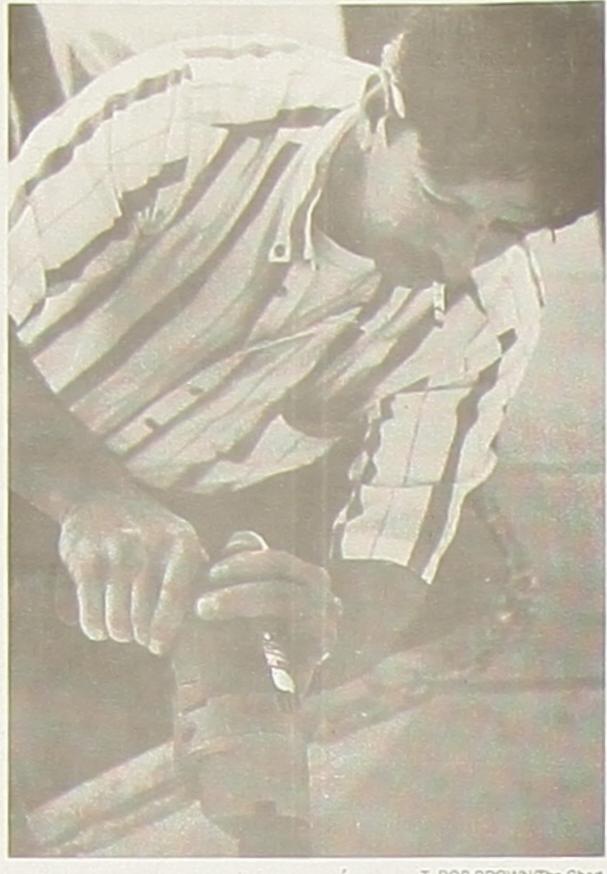
"This is something I have been wanting to do," she said. "For a number of years, I thought about making this commitment. It's a matter of the time being right for me to do this now."

As a mother of three, Kumbier has her children's feelings to deal with.

"My family has been very supportive," she said. "When I told them, I thought they would be surprised. My daughter said, 'Well, of course.' They saw it coming even though I hadn't purposely been

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LETTER PERFECT



T. ROB BROWN/The Chart

Ken Moser, carpenter, drills holes for the new lettering into the Webster Communications and Social Science Building last Friday.

STUDENT SENATE

Idle cash returned to Senate account

Phi Beta Lambda receives request after objections

By JOHN HACKER

EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

ven after allocating \$829 to two campus organizations last week, the Missouri Southern Student Senate ended up with more money in its treasury than it had the week before.

Treasurer Lory St. Clair reported \$1,012 in unused allocations had been returned to Senate's account last week, bringing the balance before last night's meeting to \$4,185.69.

Two allocations, totaling \$894.54, were approved at last nights meeting.

The Senate's finance committee recommended Phi Beta Lambda's request for \$647.54 be reduced to \$536.68.

St. Clair said the committee felt that five people could stay in one room, so they recommended that Senate only pay for two motel rooms instead of three as requested by the group.

A number of senators object the requirement that five per

stay in one room. Senators amended the fitte committee's recommendation the original amount and appro-

the request for \$647.54. Senate also allocated \$20 Alpha Sigma Alpha to helps group attend a conference 6

summer. In other business Sen President Larry Seneker askell volunteers for a committee wh into discrepancies in the Son

constitution. "In some places [the construction says we are here to serve the dents and in other places it smil are here to serve recognized in nizations," Seneker said "We"

need to clean that up." Seneker also reported that copier in the Lions' Den was n ing the Senate \$70 per mond ! said the copier was supposed make \$100 a month, and if it is not, the Senate must make up! difference.

"Apparently nobody wants by it because it doesn't make n copies," Seneker said.

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The 5K run is a 3.1-mile run

which is open to the public, stu-

The track teams have determined

the route for the run and will be the

The route will take the estimated

50-75 runners throughout the main

Sign-ups can be made prior to the

race in the Military Science office

or on the day of the race at the

Admission for the race is \$5 with

student ID and \$6 to the general

public. Each entry will receive a T-

Trophies will be awarded for the

winners in each age bracket. A

drawing will follow the race for

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dents and faculty.

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.O.T.C. members will host

SOCIAL SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

Aldridge set to enjoy new-found freedom

SY SHERI RULE TAFF WRITER

fter almost 20 years, Social Secretary Charliene Aldridge will

Aldridge made the decision to tire last fall. She will leave fissouri Southern on June 30.

I'm going to enjoy just being hee," Aldridge said of her aftercirement plans. "I'll miss the job. at the same time I'm really oking forward to this."

Dr. David Tate, head of social cience, said Aldridge will not be

·Charliene is excellent," Tate aid. "She's a perfectionist and a and worker, and she makes sure at anything she does is done

Naturally, when I look for someto replace her, I'd like to find emeone who comes as close to lose skills as possible. But most portant with Charliene, it's her ersonality, her attitude, and her walty. Those things are difficult p come by."

Aldridge is very into gardening. ad Annetta St. Clair, assistant refessor of political science.

"She's an avid gardener," St. neir said. "We have a contest in department for who can bring the first ripe tomato. Everyone opes that will happen before school is out in the spring, but it doesn't always happen that soon."

Aldridge is responsible for starting this tradition.

"She's a great fan of her tomatoes," St. Clair said. "She spends almost every waking minute when she's not at the college working in her yard. That's what she plans to do after she retires-live outside in her garden."

Like Tate, St. Clair believes Aldridge is irreplaceable.

"She takes care of the department very well," St. Clair said. "She's very personable. She views the faculty more as her children in that she really looks out for our best interest. It's a big job taking care of this kind of department."

One job Aldridge has taken on as social science secretary is the department budget.

"She checks up on the budget to make sure we don't go over, but to see that we spend it right up to the budget," St. Clair said.

"This takes a lot of the load off of the department head and off of the faculty by her doing that responsibility herself, which she doesn't have to do but which she has done because, quite frankly, she loves the department."

Aldridge plans to keep in contact with everyone in the department and other friends after she retires.

"This department has been like a family," she said. "I am really going to miss everyone here."

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SHIP OF THE DESERT



Children and students from Southern's Child Development Center watch attentively as Mike Waguespack, midway worker for Allan C. Hills Great American Circus, gives a pat to Teddy the camel.

► KUMBIER, from page 2

warning them."

Although Kumbier was brought up in the Presbyterian faith, as an adult she was drawn to the Episcopal church she said because "it is such a sacramental denomina-

"Spiritually, I responded to the

nature of worship," she said.

Kumbier made a conscious search before choosing the Episcopal faith. "I visited a number of different churches and explored what differ-

ent denominations had to offer." she said. "I had a feeling with Episcopal church that this is where I belong."

Currently she is a member of St. Philip's Episcopal Church in Joplin. an instructor of French at Iowa

Kumbier has been a French teacher at Southern for the last two and half years. Previously, she was State University.

establish a scholarship for cadets.



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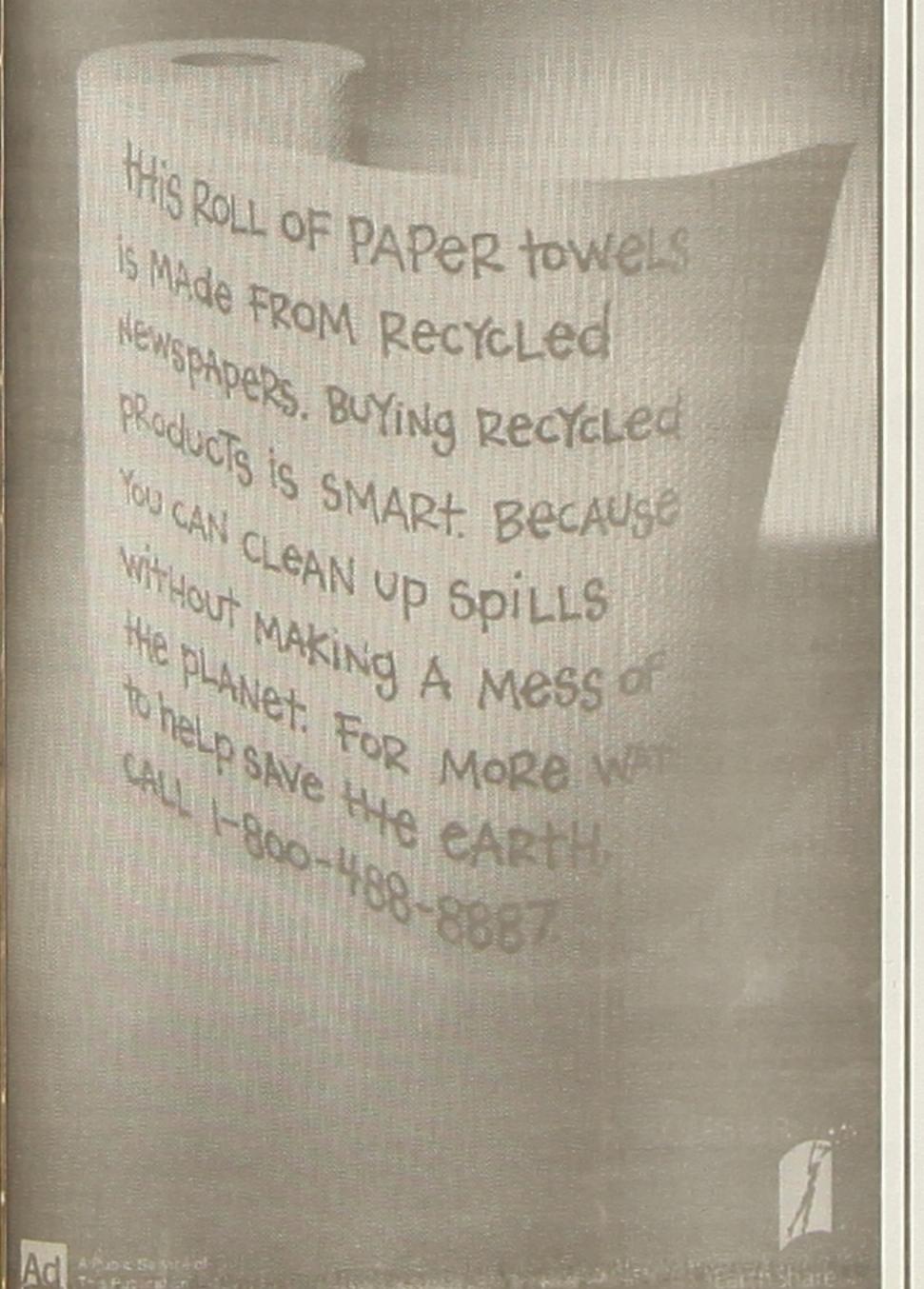
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THE PUBLIC FORUM

OUR **EDITORIALS**

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CMSU crisis

hat is this world coming to? Central Missouri State University professor David Eshelman was gunned down last week by a student who was reportedly upset over a bad grade.

Yikes.

It's mighty scary when college professors have to look over their shoulders as they leave their houses.

Education is supposed to be a relatively safe career choice.

Members of the faculty we talked to say they are not worried, but maybe they should be.

There doesn't seem to be any record of violence at Missouri Southern, but that doesn't mean it can't happen here.

A sad State

old on to your wallets, folks, here we go again.

Missouri Southern's board of regents announced yesterday it may have to increase tuition for fall 1993.

Again.

It seems Gov. Mel Carnahan has to come up with money to pay for elementary and secondary education. So, instead of giving higher education its fair share, he wants to whack \$17 million from their budget.

College President Julio Leon calls it "taking from education to pay for education."

Huh? It's sort of like cutting one end of a blanket off and sewing it on the other end to make the blanket longer. When it's all said and done, you're still cold.

In a nutshell, this means the College has to get its money somewhere else. There's only one place to turn, and that is the student body.

We understand the need to fund the embattled elementary and secondary education systems, but what about higher education? There seems to be little concern, and even less compassion, in Jefferson City for those who have to fork over big bucks to attend college.

Many Southern students are maxed out as is, and another tuition hike may mortally wound their ability to attend.

Let's just hope Leon and the Board of Regents can swing softly when they drop the financial hammer on our heads.



Judge's decision delays verdict

▶ EDITOR'S COLUMN

Every word is important in this case. The

jurors need to know exactly what was said by Singer and every other witness that took the stand.

By MARNIE CROW ASSISTANT EDITOR

ike everyone else, I tune in to the news every evening to see if the jury has delivered its verdict in the trial of the four Los Angeles police officers accused of violating Rodney King's civil rights.

When I found out Monday from a fellow Chart editor that U.S. District Judge John G. Davies refused to allow jurors a transcript of California Highway Patrolwoman Melanie Singer's testimony, I was shocked and puzzled.

I could not believe in a trial as important as this one that Davies would say no to anything the jury needed in order to reach a verdict.

Davies was quoted in The Kansas City Star as saying, "Even if I had it, I would not have sent it in out or de-emphasize 50 percent of the hearing in because it tends to emphasize testimony."

Davies did warn the jurors before the trial began that they would have to rely on notes they had taken, their memory, and that he would not provide them with transcripts.

wrong notes or remember the instructor saying something he did not, you're the only one who

This trial is not like a classroom. If you take the

All you get is a bad grade in a course you could probably retake if you wanted to.

In this case, if the jurors' memories fail, it will be King or the officers who will lose. I see this as a very dangerous situation.

I know if someone asked me to remember word for word what was covered in any one of my classes today, I couldn't do it. Even my notes do not record each word the instructor says.

The jurors do have notes, but can they be sur they are 100 percent accurate?

If they received a transcript, it would help to s nate any mistakes.

Every word is important in this case. The in need to know exactly what was said by Sings every other witness that took the stand.

I also do not understand why Davies does not the jurors to focus on testimony. If not tesim then what? Does he want them to rely on their opinions and biases?

I have always understood that testimony is on two key elements in a trial, the other one benz dence. If this is true, Davies is asking them to

What kind of verdict can be delivered if events is not taken into account? The general consensus I received from two in

tors and two Kansas City lawyers I spoke with that they did not know of any rule or procedure would prohibit the jury from obtaining a trace They said most of the time, actions like they based upon the discretion of the judge. Denying the jurors a written transcript was no

lous and it serves no benefit to anyone. All it will is hinder the decision-making process.

If the jurors asked for it, there must be a good son. Maybe there is some doubt to what was a not said.

Judge Davies should be ashamed of him Because of his actions, Los Angeles and the and the nation must continue to hold their break

Campus activities aid education

IN PERSPECTIVE



What I do have is a long list of skills that will help me get a job when the cards are laid out on the table.

By LORY ST. CLAIR C.A.B. PRESIDENT

Tello. My name is Lory St. Clair. You probably don't know me, but I've been floating Laround this campus, much like a specter, for the last five years. Not to say that I've been dead, or that I'm even close to a "lighter than air" condition. What I mean is that I've been in a position to see things from many sides.

During the last five years I've seen buildings built, pianos purchased, and finger painting in the oval. I've witnessed an escape from a cellophane cocoon, seen the Lions' Den redecorated, and the book deposit increase by 100 percent and then disappear. I've served Pepsi out of "weenie wagons" for more than seven picnics, worked in three Phon-A-Thons, picked up trash on Duquesne Road for three semesters, and even sold concessions at basketball and football games.

I feel very old and like taking the privileges of that rank. I'm going to paraphrase from great speakers, inflict my opinions upon you, and give you unsolicited advice.

The most heart-wrenching thing I have witnessed at Missouri Southern since my freshman year is the increasingly small number of people who choose to involve themselves with the extra-curricular portion of the education provided here. Not all of college is books and lectures, labs and tests, or notes and study groups.

College is the chance to explore your values, give you the intellectual background to support your morals, and to teach you life skills in communication, organization, and delegation. Many of you

won't want to acknowledge this, but the degree receive here is a sign to future employers and g ate schools that you have determination, dedica and the ability to learn. By no means are you en ed to leave here knowing all you will need to b just the ability to seek out and learn the thing need to know. In other words-you're trainable that this is bad).

I do not have a 4.0 grade-point average, and not bragging. What I do have is a long list of that will help me get a job when the cards at out on the table. My degree will say I'm train and my resume will say I know how to put that cation to use. Please don't let much more time away before you practice putting your education useful skills.

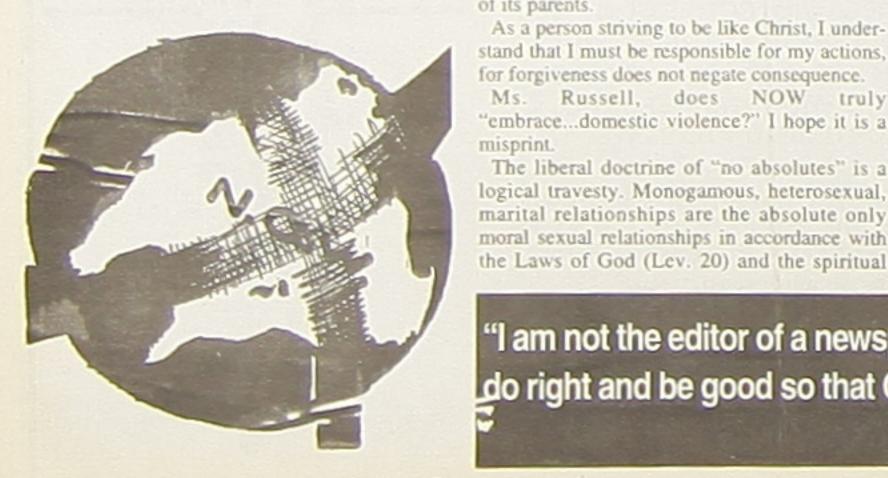
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Sexual issues spark strong opinions

I for a Christless society. They use the American ideal of "choice" to propagate the murder of children for the purpose of mere convenience, when in reality, there is no longer any "choice."

If a woman is pregnant, she will birth the child either naturally or sucked through a tube. The mother's choice was made in bed.

"right to control your own bodies," you simply control your bodies. But instead you fight to punish an innocent child, by death, for the acts of its parents.

As a person striving to be like Christ, I understand that I must be responsible for my actions, for forgiveness does not negate consequence. Ms. Russell, does NOW truly

"embrace...domestic violence?" I hope it is a misprint.

The liberal doctrine of "no absolutes" is a logical travesty. Monogamous, heterosexual, marital relationships are the absolute only moral sexual relationships in accordance with

The credence of NOW indicates a longing convictions of humanity, I am not "homophobic," but rather "theophobic."

> I fear the same wrath that God poured out on Sodom will fall on our unrepentant and iniquitously proud nation, for promoting the "abomination" of homosexuality.

I am sorry Ms. Russell, but AIDS does discriminate between those who are sexually immoral-that includes adultery and fornica-I suggest that instead of fighting for the tion-and those who give their virginity to a legitimate, monogamous relationship; one man and one woman, for life. The latter, plus a good blood supply, would wipe-out AIDS in ten years!

Open minds are like open sails. Without the rudder of morality to guide their course, they simply go the way the wind blows. The position of true Christians is to love the person and hate sin. So I say to NOW, to homosexuals and to Ms. Russell, Jesus saves, forgives and heals. He loves all of us! He loves none of our transgres-

> Cory D. Gasparich Freshman Music Major

"I am not the editor of a newspaper, and I shall always try to do right and be good so that God will not make me one."

-Mark Twain

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GLOBAL VIEWPOINT

COUSTEAU WATCH

Science too slow to political groups

Environmental problems hold no clear answers, quick solutions

By JEAN-MICHEL COUSTEAU **FARTH MATTERS**

here is nothing theoretical about such acute environmental disasters as the Exxon Valdez tanker incident in Alaska or the oil spills that resulted from the Gulf War. The blackened beaches, dead animals, and contaminated marine life were there for all to see. And the Chernobyl explosion in the former Soviet Union, offered inescapable visual proof of tragedy at the smoldering nuclear plant.

But distinguishing between the short- and long-term effects of such incidents remains a challenge. Once the headlines fade, the public moves on to new immediacies. But scientists get busy with experiments aimed at discerning true from the false. More and more, such science will guide public policy, especially in environmental matters. And increasingly the public is seeing how science is far from immune to debate and controversy.

For example, in the summer of 1992, Dr. Allan Bromley, science adviser to George Bush, was grilled by (then Senator) Vice-President Al Gore about interpretations of data on global climate

changes. Gore suggested that Bush might not have been receiving the benefit of the full range of scientific opinion with respect to globalwarming possibilities.

"The context is that we have not seen any unambiguous signal for greenhouse warming that we can attribute to carbon dioxide in the atmosphere," Bromley said. "Eventually we will see one if we keep putting carbon dioxide into the atmosphere."

Gore answered that this helped postpone action by giving Bush "some comfort that there is so much uncertainty surrounding the science of global warming that he need not feel the same sense of urgency that every other leader of an industrial nation seems to feel."

But undeniable scientific facts are hard to come by. And science proceeds slowly, taking each puzzle a piece at a time. This makes policy conclusions hard to draw, since findings are fraught with qualifications and complexities.

An article in the prestigious journal Nature concerning Persian Gulf post-war pollution said that the concentration of hydrocarbons in sediments and mollusks sampled after the war was in fact lower than in similar prewar samples.

The public might thus conclude

CLEAN-UP ACT



Photo courtesy of the Cousteau Society

Crews use steam to clean an Alaskan beach in the aftermath of the Exxon Valdez oil spill in 1989. Scientists study the effects of accidents slowly—which holds back political action toward the issues.

that Gulf War spills had no appreciable impact on marine life. But this would be a simplified inference because the war itself cut down on the "normal" pollution in the Persian Gulf from oil tankers and minor spills since there was no oil traffic occurring during the war.

Another article published in Nature struck a more definitive tone and dealt with increased cases of thyroid cancer in children in Belarus, especially in the Gomel region known to have received the highest level of radioactive fallout after the 1986 Chemobyl explosion.

The scientists report a "great increase" in the number of thyroid

cancers, rising from "an average of just four cases per year from 1969 to 1989 inclusive, to 55 in 1991."

A vivid example of debate took place over a recent study at Prince William for the ALYESKA Pipeline Co. It found the Valdez Pipeline Terminal loading process was responsible for only 25 percent of the increased levels of benzene, a known carcinogen, found in the air around Valdez.

ALYESKA commissioned the study because it is under pressure to control benzene emissions. But a separate scientific team commissioned by the Regional Citizens' Advisory Council of Prince William

Sound disputed the ALYESKA study and found the Pipeline terminal was responsible for 90 percent of ambient benzene levels.

As we approach a new era of environmental and economic urgencies, science will be more and more on the firing line. I have often felt frustrated at the cautious pace of science, although I know the dangers of inaccuracies and panic.

The best defense against these is good information and its sincere evaluation. As our world becomes a more complex web of tradeoffs, we must find a proper recipe of facts, resolve and ethics to arrive at truths to determine our well-being.

▶ BUSINESS

Tea shop faces a lot of disfavor

THE ECONOMIST

nyone convinced Japanese markets are closed to I importers will enjoy the story of Caron Cooper. One Saturday in 1989, Cooper was standing at her stall in London's Portobello market, selling what she calls "kitchenalia." A Japanese couple stopped and bought a great pile of carved breadboards, old wicker baskets, and Victorian canisters. They would do nicely in the small hotel that the couple ran back home. This set Cooper thinking: the English country look, it seemed, touched a Japanese chord.

Now Cooper is preparing to sell the tea ceremony in Japan-the English tea ceremony, that is. In partnership with Beazer, a British construction company, she will open her first tea shop in Tokyo next year, nine more are planned. Each shop will be modeled on the one that Cooper already runs in Nettleton Shrub, a cozy English village in Wiltshire: cobbled floors, old oak beams, red and white checked tablecloths, lace wherever possible. The tea will be supplied by a venerable firm with the finest Raj pedigree. The jam will be made from cooper's own recipe. The scones will be made from special flour shipped from England: Japanese flour is too "heavy"

Cooper thinks she knows her market. Last year, her seven-bedroom hotel put up 1,200 Japanese tourists visiting Bath. Cooper's book on Wiltshire has sold 12,000 copies in Japan. Japanese magazines have written about her. A television series, England with Caron, has been suggested.

Surely Japan's protectionist bureaucrats will sour this sweet confection? If they can. The Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries has blocked Cooper's plans to import clotted cream, calling it a health hazard. Without it, insists Cooper, a real British cream tea is impossible; other "British" tea rooms in Japan use whipping

cream, "which is just as foamy."

Happily there is a way around this obstacle. Jersey cows, the only sort of whose milk is good enough for clotted cream, roam Japan's northern island of Hokkaido. So far nobody on the island knows how to make clotted cream. But with the help of Britain's Department of Trade and Industry, Cooper hopes to find an expert clotter to teach Hokkaido's farmers. To prickly hosts, foreign investment is always more welcome if it involves technology transfer.

CHINESE-BRITISH DISPUTES CONCERNING HONG KONG

China, Patten bicker over territory's future

'Shadow government' threatened on exasperated Hong Kong people

THE ECONOMIST

n April 2, in Beijing's Great Hall of the People, 48 residents of Hong Kong and one Thai Chinese businessman were set to receive their certificates of appointment as official "advisers" to China on Hong Kong. They join 44 other Hong Kongers who were given the same distinction last year. Is this the penumbra of the shadow government that China threatens for the territory?

Not to hear Hong Kong's colonial government spokesman welcomed the news, saying "we're entirely comfortable" with the new advisers-even those who know a lot about the secret workings of Hong Kong. That category includes both a former head of the prison service and Sir David Akers-Jones, a former chief secretary and one-time acting governor who has opposed the political reform plans of the present governor, Chris Patten.

The line taken by Patten is that the more China learns about what makes Hong Kong tick, the better. British officials privately add that China's 93 Hong Kong advisers may be able to offer some communication link between Patten and the Chinese government.

A fortnight ago communication seemed to be at an end. Patten had, on March 12, officially published his proposals for bringing a touch more democracy to Hong Kong's Legislative Council (Legco). This followed weeks of fruitless "talks about talks" between Britain and China on Hong Kong, and it enraged the Chinese.

The opening on March 15 of the annual session of the National People's Congress, China's tame parliament, ensured verbal bombardment. Li Peng, China's prime minister, shouted abuse in his opening speech; Lu Ping, China's chief official dealing with Hong Kong, threatened a shadow government; and meanwhile Chinese mouthpieces compared Patten to a petty thief and a prostitute.

Britain and China do not seem to be able to reach a definitive moment in their dispute. The Chinese Congress ended this week by appointing the dour Li to another five-year term as prime minister. Yet even before the propagandachurning Congress was out of the way, Lu had said that Hong Kong's much delayed new airport should not be held in hostage in the row between Britain and China.

The British, for their part, profess their continued readiness for talks.

Although Patten did formally publish his proposals last month, in a conciliatory gesture he refrained from submitting them to Legco. That was put off until after Easter, which gives Britain and China yet another chance to agree on a formula for the Legco elections due in 1995. Meanwhile, on March 31 Patten left Hong Kong for nearly three weeks in Europe, some of his time will be spent in London pouring over maps of the Hong Kong battle-terrain with his former cabinet colleagues, John Major and the foreign secretary, Douglas Hurd.

They will have a lot to think about. Hong Kong is getting exasperated, bored even, with the behavior of its present and post-1977 sovereigns. One sign is that the twitchy stockmarket rose on the news of Lu's mid-March threat of a shadow government. Yet any prospect of new talks presents Britain with some hard choices. If

talks do get going, China's aim will be to see that they proceed at a stately pace. Patten said that his proposals must be acted upon by Legco before it adjourns in July. If he delays submitting legislation much past the end of April, time will be short for a thorough debate in Legco.

Patten's greatest difficulty is that his effort to get Hong Kong-via Legco-to stand up for itself is seen by many Hong Kongers not as a call to secure the "autonomy" formally promised by China, but as an invitation to choose between their present and future sovereigns. Sir David, the new China adviser, has written with contempt of Patten's departure from the spirit of previous Chinese-British understandings, "as if in order to test the concept of (Hong Kong's) autonomy after 1997 we should break agreements, like spoiled children."

► RUSSIA

Yeltsin depends on aid to steady bad economy

THE ECONOMIST

ver the coming days and weeks, first the American president and then the finance and foreign ministers of the world's largest industrial countries will meet Russian President Boris Yeltsin. At issue is not just an aid program but Russia's place in the world. If its economic policies are right, then western assistance can help Russia achieve macro-economic stability faster than it could otherwise do. That in turn would remove the threat of economic chaos that is overwhelming Yeltsin and raising the specter of an aggressive nationalist government which would intervene in neighboring countries.

But if Russia is to become a stable, unthreatening place, then it too has commitments to make-and not just by providing the economic policies needed to make aid work. Yeltsin must show he is willing to rein in those advocating interference in the affairs of Russia's neighbors. And he must push to fulfill the international obligations into which Russia has entered. At the moment he is doing neither.

Over the past year, the Russian nationalists who argue that Russia's foreign-policy interests are not served by a close alliance with the West have become increasingly influential. The influ-

ence shows up in Russia's growing reluctance to apply pressure on Serbia, in Yeltsin's explicit downgrading of relations with the West and, most of all, in parliament's refusal to ratify the START-2

nuclear weapons pact. At the same time, Yeltsin's failure to articulate any clear policy towards the other republics of the former Soviet Union (which Russians call the "near abroad") has opened the way for Russians to destabilize the region in pursuit of their own interests. Renegade units of Russia's army have taken up weapons against the legally constituted governments in Moldova (where they used rifles and tanks) and Georgia (where they have graduated to helicopters and jet fighters). Neither Yeltsin nor his defense minister has done anything about it. In arguing that Russia should oppose third countries' influence in neighboring states, its top brass and foreign ministry have moved worryingly close toward a version of the Monroe doctrine (which in the 19th century declared the western hemisphere America's sphere of influence). This is an approach Russia neither should nor can implement.

There are three reasons for objecting that the West should not penalize Yeltsin for Russia's for-

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LASER DISCS Classical music sees boost from technological advance THE ECONOMIST "Mozart at Buckingham Palace" (EMI LDB 99 1300 1). The setting o amend an old musical saw,

why should the devil have ▲ all the best publicity? The promoters of the careers of classical musicians agree. With the help of laser discs, which provide images as well as sound, they have started to package and publicize orchestras as if they were pop groups and opera stars as if they were singers of country at the Grand Ole Opry in Nashville.

Ivo Pogorelich, a dreamboat planist, is one beneficiary. Deutsche Grammophon has him playing Chopin and Scriabin in Italian castles for no other apparent reason than that the young musician looks good brooding against iplendid architecture (Deutsche Grammophon NTSC 072 245-3 and NTSC 072 217-3).

The quest for a posh setting has also caught the fancy of orchestras. our Colin Davis leads a rather cowed English Chamber Orchestra and soloists on a laser disc of

of a distinctly frigid concert room and the somber arrival of some members of the Royal family hardly cheer things up. Not only must today's artists look

good when playing, but even when rehearsing. Two new laser discs from Sony celebrating Yo Yo Ma, America's most famous cellist, show him preparing snippets of works by Bach and Beethoven (Sony LSV 46392). He is also shown in rehearsal sessions for chamber works by Brahms (Sony SLV 46372) with Isaac Stern, Jaime Laredo, and Emanuel Ax. The svelte cellist manages to retain a certain Zen calm amid all the strenuous work, but his bulgy partners perspire freely. And under the pitiless digital eye, every bead of sweat seems a reproach. Classical musicians are also get-

ting their faces better known, and earning money, by appearing in advertisements in magazines.

ST. CLAIR, from page 4 their loyalties.

college. Helping Southern grow and keeping an ear open to the active and responsive student body tre things that will make this college more appealing to students looking for an institution to give

To put all this very simply-ask not only what your college can do for you but what you can do for your college. I never promised a good paraphrase.



At the Clinton - Yeltsin Summit

AROUND CAMPUS

CAMPUS EVENTS



Today 15

9 to 11 a.m. — SUMMER / FALL PRE-ENROLLMENT BEGINS FOR 60 - 89 HOURS.

9:30 to 10:30 a.m. -KOINONIA, BSC 313. Noon to 1 p.m. - LDSSA. BSC 313.

12:30 p.m. — SPRING FLING TWISTER, Front Lawn. Inside at the Lions' Den if rain.

1 to 3 p.m. — SUMMER / **FALL PRE-ENROLLMENT** BEGINS FOR STUDENTS WITH 60 - 89 HOURS

1:30 to 3:30 p.m. — EXECU-TIVE MEETING, BSC 314. 4 to 5 p.m. — INTERNA-TIONAL CLUB, BSC 311.

Tomorrow 16

10:45 to 1:15 - SPRING FLING PICNIC, The Oval. Noon to 3 p.m. — RAPPEL CLINIC, Rappel Tower behind the Police Academy 4 to 9 p.m. — ORIENTA-TION, BSC Lounge. TRACK AND FIELD, at CMSU Mule Relays.

Saturday 17

8 a.m. to 5 p.m. — YOUNG AUTHORS CONFERENCE, BSC Third Floor.

11 a.m. to 1 p.m. — ATH-LETIC BANQUET. BSC 310. TRACK AND FIELD, at CMSU Mule Relays.

Sunday 18

1 p.m. — BASEBALL vs Lincoln University. 5 p.m. — ALPHA CHI DIN-NER, BSC Third Floor. 6 to 9 p.m. — GREEK COUNCIL, BSC Lounge.

Monday 19

9 to 11 a.m., 1 to 3 p.m. — SUMMER / FALL PRE-**ENROLLMENT BEGINS** FOR STUDENTS WITH 30 -59 HOURS.

3 p.m. — TENNIS vs Northeast OK State. 3 to 4 p.m. — FACULTY SENATE, BSC 313. 4 to 5 p.m.m — GREEK COUNCIL, BSC 314 4 to 7 p.m. — SIGMA NU, BSC 313.

6 to 9 p.m. - JASPER CO. IRA DINNER, BSC 310.

Tuesday 20

EARTH DAY CELEBRA-TION, George Washington Carver Monument -Diamond.

7 to 8:30 p.m. — KAPPA **DELTA PI SPRING INITIA-**TION, BSC 310.

Wednesday 21

3 p.m. — CAB MEETING, BSC 310. 3 p.m. — SOFTBALL vs Northeastern State University. 5:30 p.m. — STUDENT SENATE, BSC 310

COLLEGE ORIENTATION

New leaders chosen to educate freshmen

49 students selected for posts

By ALLISON GROSSE

STAFF WRITER

Tew faces at Missouri Southern will get help from some students who have been around the College block a few times.

College orientation leaders for 1993 were announced on March 12. The new leaders will teach the Freshman Orientation classes next fall. Forty-nine students were selected from 70 who applied. In order to qualify, students must be enrolled at Southern and have

completed approximately 50 credit hours and have a minimum cumulative grade-point-average of 2.5. The selection process for orienta-

tion leaders began in January. Posters were displayed on campus and nominations were accepted. Applications were sent to the nominces or could be picked up in the Student Services office. Later. interviews were set up and the selections were made.

The new College orientation leaders are: Audra Adair, Sean Barrett, Margaret Becker, Dorcia Bilodeau, Michelle Brown, Kara Carr, Amy Casey, Amy Coffey, Oma Dean,

Vickie Dearmond, Regena Denton, Mark Detherage, Cassie Doty, Melissa Escobar, Amanda Gillen, Janessa Hall, Brande Harris, Terri Heeter, Kris Hunt, Amy Jordan, Amy Lorton, Trent Lovewell, Rob Lundien, Amy Mahurin, Stephanie Matthews, Amy Mayberry, William Miller, Toni Pretti, Brian Rash, Etolia Stever, Michelle Stonis, Jennifer Thomas, Jamie Uptegrove, Michelle Vineyard, and Allison Whitehead.

Returning leaders are: Troy Comeau, Cami Davey, Luis Figueroa, Debra Forbes, Jan Gardner, Kelly Gayman, Theresa Guetzkow, Nancy Hasbrook, Kaylea Hutson, Kim Jenson,

Patricia Stirling, Van Vandaveer, Lorie Watts, and Kristull Williams. All orientation leaders must complete a total of five training sessions before they are allowed to teach the class.

During the sessions, the leaders are prepared to teach the class. They must know campus information and are taught to work with groups.

Lori LeBahn, director of orientation, says the training sessions are important because they give the leaders the skills and confidence they need in order to be prepared. "The training sessions not only

help them think they can [teach the class], it gives them the skills necessary to do it," LeBahn said

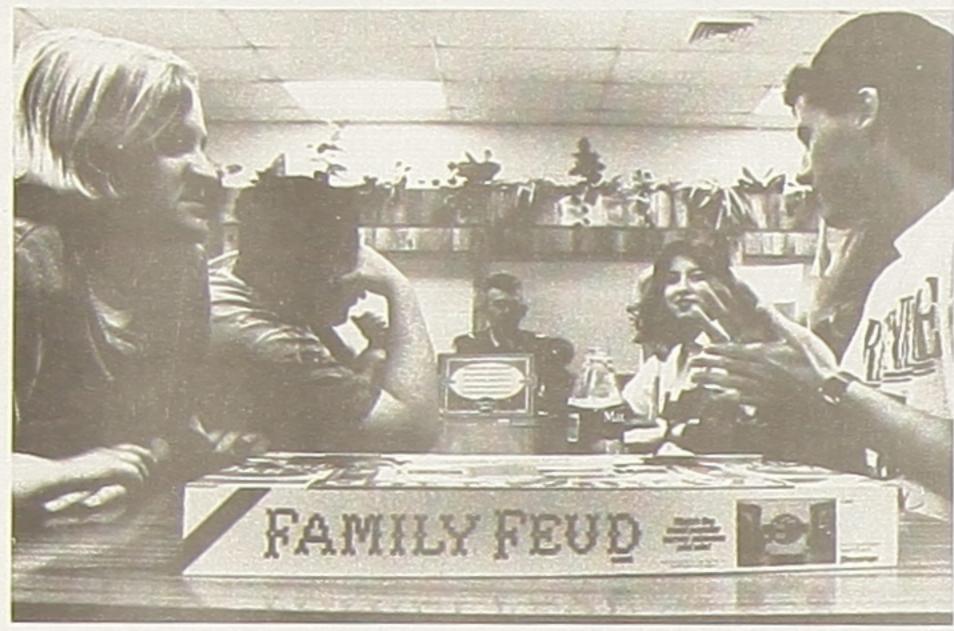
While teaching the eight-we class next fall, orientation leabwill have weokly meetings wi one of 14 faculty mentors.

LeBahn also believes the orien tion leaders are an integral par the College because the progre has such high retention rates.

"Teaching helps the leaders, he also helps the program," she w "Retention rates for the fresh class are really high. From Fall's to Spring '93, we have retained! percent of the freshman class h national average is only 50 percent

The ones who take the class of [in school]."

GOOD ANSWER



T. ROB BROWN/The Charl

Sophomore business major Brad Sitton (left front) and sophomore English major Rashel Ogle (right front) took part in a round of Family Feud hosted by Andy Love (Center) Monday at the Lions' Den.

YOUNG AUTHORS' CONFERENCE

College to host nearly 600 writers

By KAYLEA HUTSON

EXECUTIVE EDITOR

showcase of talent will be on hand Saturday when Larea young authors converge on Campus.

Approximately 600 first through sixth grade students will take part in the Fifth Annual Young Authors' Conference.

The event is sponsored by the Jasper County International Reading Association and the Missouri Southern Education department.

"This is a day to recognize elementary students who have written a book -an original book," said Dr. Cameron Pulliam, coordinator, Young Authors' Conference. "They must write, illustrate and bind it by themselves."

The students were selected to attend the conference through contests held in their local schools.

Each school is allowed to send two students from each grade.

Fifty-six elementary and Junior High Schools are participating in the program.

"This is a day of celebration for Young Authors," Pulliam said. "Each student will hear a children's author speak in person, have lessons from an illustrator, and

eign policy. First, where it is bad,

he is not really in charge of it.

Yeltsin cannot force parliament to

sign START-2. And in fighting

parliament, he needs the West's

support, not its criticism. Nor can

he sack renegade generals. Were

the minister to obey, the generals

might disobey the minister.

Whatever happened, the result

would be trouble with the military:

an unnecessary problem when

Yeltsin's crucial task is to get the

Next, by and large, Russian for-

eign policy is not that bad. With 25

million ethnic Russians living in

the "near abroad," Russia can no

more turn a blind eye to the way

they are treated than Germany

could if 13 million Germans-a

proportionate number-lived in

The question is how Russia deals

with this legitimate interest.

countries surrounding Germany.

economy right.

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have the opportunity to look at each other's books."

Children's author Ann McGovern will be on hand to discuss her books with the conference-goers.

McGovern is known for her book Stone Soup. She is a writer of nonfiction and fiction books for kindergarten to sixth-grade-age students. Dr. Nancy Smith, reading teacher at Southern, helped pick McGovern to come to Southern.

McGovern was chosen because of her book Christopher Columbus, because of the emphasis placed last year on the the Anniversary of Columbus' voyage to America.

Nic Frising, local political artist, will help give the children tips for illustrating books.

In order to attend the conference, each young author must bring their

Pulliam said the books are their

"ticket" into the events. All of the books will then be displayed for the day in Billingsly

Student Center. "Virtually the entire floor of the Billingsly Student Center becomes a book display," Pulliam said. "All of the books will be displayed by

grade level." During the conference, each young author will be assigned to a small group. Each small group will be led by a Southern student volun-

Renegade army actions and presi-

dential speeches notwithstanding,

the government under the liberal

foreign minister, Andrei Kozyrev,

has based its policy on the notion

that the best way of defending the

rights of Russians abroad is to

encourage democracy. And the best

way to do that is to respect human

This has been a worthy cause and

Yeltsin has sacrificed political cap-

ital in defense of it. He should not

be accused of caving in to conserv-

Lastly, at a time when the West

has stood by tut-tutting while

Serbia set about creating a Greater

Serbia, it would be hypocritical to

penalize Russia because some

members of the Russian govern-

ment dream about a Greater

Russia. Even so, the West should

still make clear what it expects of

Russian foreign policy: that it

atives.

rights and be democratic yourself.

Pulliam said more than 90 students from various departments have volunteered to help make the day a success.

"We want to be sure that every child has a good experience, is safe, and is comfortable," he said. "No child is without supervision at anytime."

Pulliam said this event relies heavily on volunteers. In addition to the students, approximately 30 Southern faculty members will also serve as volunteers.

At the end of the day each young author will be recognized on stage in the Taylor Performing Arts Center. They will receive a certificate, as well as an autographed book written by McGovern.

Pulliam said most authors simply stamp their names in the books however, McGovern autographed each book personally.

The first and second grade students will receive Stone Soup. The third and fourth grade students will be awarded Christopher Columbus, while the fifth and sixth grades will receive Robin Hood of Sherwood Forest.

"The purpose of this is to encourage creativity among students," Pulliam said. "I think we grossly underestimate the abilities of elementary students."

should avoid a Monroesky doctrine

for the "near abroad" and promise

presidential pressure to get

START-2 ratified once a new par-

liament is elected. These expecta-

tions are especially important

because instability and overmighti-

ness in Russia are being used by

Ukraine as an excuse to hold on to

the world's third largest nuclear

This is one of Europe's gravest

security worries. If Russia does not

keep its international commitments,

If Russia does not keep its inter-

national commitments, nor will

Ukraine. Rescuing Russia's econo-

my must remain the top priority for

But foreign policy must come

right, too. Unless it does, the pur-

pose of the aid-to make Russia a

stable and civilizing partner in the

world-will be undermined.

arsenal.

nor will Ukraine.

Yeltsin and the West.

▶ DEBATE

Judging pool poses problems for squad

Morris: Squad did some 'impressive thing

By HONEY SCOTT

STAFF WRITER

fter a very competitive season the forensics squad went to Rice University last weekend for the individual events national tournament.

Attending the tournament for Missouri Southern were senior accounting major John Kerney, and sophomore marketing major Curt Gilstrap. "Although they did not break into

out rounds, they did do some fairly impressive things," said Eric Morris, forensics coach. "All of out events placed in the

top one-third," Gilstrap said. "We got a lot of student feedback. The people we competed against thought we were the best in the round.

In spite of the fact that Kerney qualified in four events for the national tournament, three of the events he qualified for were in the same flight.

Tournament rule specifies that participants are only allowed to take two entries from each flight.

Kerney elected to take dramatic interpretation, communication analysis, and duo with Gilstrap. He decided not to take his poetry entry.

"You have to be entered in four events in order to qualify for the individual sweepstakes, so I didn't get to do that," Kerney said.

Gilstrap was quite pleased with their performance with the duo.

"We were 'on' every round," he said. "Most of the students that heard us were wondering why we didn't at least break to the quarterfinal round. We knew we should have advanced.

"There were several rough where they placed higher than in viduals that advanced to the sen final and final rounds," Morn said. The consensus of the squad of

that the mixed judging pool w difficult to adapt to. "The judging pool was ve

mixed," said Gilstrap. "Each & trict has its own style. "The judging of the rounds very subjective," Morris sp

"Once you get outside your rejo it's hard to predict what the crit from other regions are looking for It becomes more difficult to m them what they want."

Morris was impressed with the performance of the duo.

"I got to sit in on one round their duo, it sounded better the ever before," he said. "They som ed really 'on."

He also said that everyone at

tournament was very competitive They have to have placed the times with average rank of two

three to qualify in each event "John did really well in comm nication analysis," said Gilen "It was outstanding; he pull

some ones." Morris said the neatest this about the weekend was that Kera received offers for graduate assi

antships at Central Missoun Sa University and from the University of Wyoming. "The reason [the offers are] got is that we like to take care of o people," Morris said. "It's nice to

the skills he picked up in this act ity can pay his way through grad ate school. "It's good to know we're turn

out students that are seen as street solid participants."

NURSING DEPARTMENT

Nurses score 'Bed Pan' for 3rd consecutive year

for the third consecutive year. the Missouri Southern nursing department took home top honors from a local hospital.

The nurses won the Bed Pan Award, in a contest sponsored by Freeman Hospital, on Thursday, April 1.

The nursing departments at Northeast Oklahoma A&M. Crowder College, Franklin Technical School, and Pittsburg State University, participated in the event "It was highly competitive, but we

had a great time," said Doris Elgrin,

associate professor of nursing

The contest was designed

nursing students who will be grad ating in May. "The purpose was to promo interaction between the school

Elgrin said. "It is a reward for the hard work done." . The schools competed in the team events: the wheel-chair rel race, gloving the doctor, and app

cation of the IV gown. The schools were awarded pos based team standing in each ever The team with the highest total

points won the Bed Pan Award.

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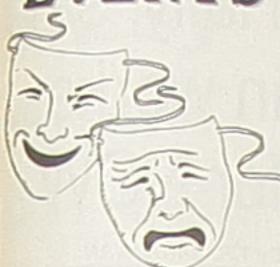
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EVENTS



CALENDAR ON CAMPUS

Taylor Auditorium

April 21-24 — The Doctor In Spite Of Himself, presented by Southern Theatre.

Webster Auditorium

April 25 - National Music Week concert, featuring members of ne Missouri Southern Suzuki Violin Academy.

Spiva Art Center

623-0183 Beginning Sunday - Senior Exhibits.

JOPLIN

The Bypass

624-9095

Tomorrow - Smoot Mahuti. Memorial Hall

623-3254 April 25 - Ricky Van Shelton.

TULSA

Tulsa Convention Center

May 1 — Alan Jackson and Billy

Mohawk Park

Sunday - The Beach Boys with Paul Revere and the Raiders.

SPRINGFIELD

Hammons Center

(417) 836-5774 omorrow - Michael W. Smith and D.C. Talk.

April 30 - Alan Jackson. Hammons Hall

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April 25 — Dennis Miller.

May 10 — David Copperfield.

Regency Showcase (417) 862-2700

Mondays —Rave with Jeff

Tomorrow — New World Spirits. Saturday — Slugworth and Life

Without Wayne.

Shrine Mosque

417) 869-0529 omorrow - Alice In Chains, Circus of Power and Masters of Reality.

April 28 — Bryan Adams.

KANSAS CITY

Memorial Hall

(816) 931-3330 Saturday — Alice In Chains.

Kemper Arena (816) 931-3330

Saturday — Michael W. Smith and D.C. Talk.

Midland Theatre

(816) 931-3330 Sunday — George Jones and Conway Twitty.

April 24 - Bobby "Blue" Bland. Arrowhead Stadium

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May 31 — Paul McCartney.

ST. LOUIS

Mississippi Nights

314) 421-3853 Iomorrow - Drivin' N' Cryin'. Sunday — Delbert McClinton. May 5 — Belly.

Busch Stadium

314) 291-7600 April 29 - Paul McCartney.

Fox Theatre

(314) 534-1678 April 30 — Anne Murray. May 12-17 — "Aspects of Love." MISSOURI SOUTHERN THEATRE

Moliere's 'Doctor' visits Wednesday

'Scalpel-sharp satire' conceived in 1666

By BRIAN SANDERS

ASSOCIATE EDITOR

or its season finale, the Southern Theatre group will present a classic satire about the medical industry from the 17th century.

The Doctor In Spite of Himself, written by Jean-Baptiste Moliere in 1666, is scheduled for performance Wednesday through April 24 in Taylor Auditorium.

Director Sam Claussen, associate professor of theatre, described the play as a "scalpel-sharp satire."

"Moliere did not like his society at the time," Claussen said. "He was really big on how he could make fun of his society. He picked everything he could find to make fun of."

"I love all of Moliere's work," said Lawrence Alford, who plays Sganarelle. "He had a great sense of comedy for his time period."

In the play, Sganarelle, a poor, unscrupulous rogue who chops wood for an occasional living and beats his wife, Martine, played by Jennifer Russell, for fun. After a lover's quarrel, Martine tells a rich trader's servants that her husband is, in secret, a brilliant doctor who will only reveal his powers after being harshly punished.

After a few "treatments" at the hands of the servants, Sganarelle is talked into helping their master's daughter, whose illness is a phony reaction to her father's repudiation of her lover.

"It starts with a guy who is not even a doctor," Claussen said. "But, of course, he will say he is anything, once he is beat up. And once he realizes there is money in it, then he just makes all kinds of claimshe 'diagnoses' illnesses and fixes them, and he has fake Latin and everything."

Claussen also pointed out Moliere's real-life inspiration for

"One of Moliere's relatives died at the hands of one of these quacks," he said. "So, obviously, Moliere was not too enthused about the medical profession after that.

"At the time it came out, there was a lot of controversy because there were groups of medical professionals who tried to shut it down."

Also starring in Doctor are William Watts, Matthew Morris, Michael Evans, Stephen Williamson, Nikki Kellison, James Dean Carter, Pamela Adkisson, Matthew Beese, Jonathon Peck, Lyndall Burrow, and Christy Burrow. Jennifer Carroll is stage

PRACTICING 'DOCTOR'



Steven Williamson (center), junior communications major, and Mike Evans (right), freshman business administration and management major, watch as Matthew Beese, junior speech and drama education major, reacts during a rehearsal of the season's final performance of The Doctor In Spite of Himself.

manager for this performance, and Tabitha Partlow will serve as assistant stage manager.

Claussen said the play's humor makes it unsuitable for children.

This is because of the grotesqueness of the comedy of the time," he said. "They found a lot of humor in the various body parts, and they found a lot of humor in giving enemas. We do not give an enema on stage, but we pantomime that.

"The thing that motivates [Sganarelle] is a combination of money and sexual relationshipshow many times he can score."

Claussen said the performance will be "a big costume show," emphasizing extravagant costume work by Anne Jaros, assistant professor of theatre.

"She has done some really interesting things," he said. "She has combined both the upper-crust of

society and the peasants in the costumes. She worked on textures a lot; in one costume, she has any number of textures as far as fabrics are concerned."

"The costumes are excellent," Williamson said. "They are wild and they are eye-catching, and yet they are not distracting."

For reservations, tickets, and further information, persons may call 625-9393.

READING BETWEEN THE LINES



Joplin native Pattiann Rogers discusses aspects of her work at her poetry reading Tuesday in the BSC.

T. ROB BROWN/The Chart

MUSIC DEPARTMENT

Whitesell to give vocal recital

vocal recital at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 22, in the Webster Communications and Social Science Building auditorium.

During the recital, which is presented in partial fulfillment of a bachelor of arts degree in music, Whitesell will feature selections from Carissimi, Bohm, Schumann, Vaughn Williams, and Handel.

Whitesell, who said he developed a serious musical interest in junior high school, received an associate

Whitesell will present a senior Oklahoma Vocational-Technical Charles Clark, vocal instructor. School in Miami, Okla., where he currently resides.

> His decision to attend Missouri Southern was influenced by "convenience," he said. "There was a distance factor in it,"

he said. "I'm 39, I have a wife and family, and it's not that far from Miami.

"I'd also known about the music department, about its good reputation, and that made me want to come here even more."

enior music major Steve of arts degree from Northeast Whitesell has been studying under

"He's very encouraging, very patient, and he's helped me out a great deal," Whitesell said of Clark. "He's a very fine instructor, a good choir man. He's helped me improve on my abilities and talents."

Whitesell said he is not sure of his plans after graduation.

"I don't know," he said. "I'm involved in church music [and a] church choir-I'll probably go into

Admission to the recital is free.

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ART DEPARTMENT

Senior artists to show work

Exhibits to open Sunday at Spiva

By LEASA WEBB

STAFF WRITER

enior art students get a chance to show off their talents in this year's Senior Art Exhibits in the Spiva Art Center starting April

bitions, each one starting with a new group, on April 18, 25, and May 2 and 9.

There will be four weeks of exhi-

Hours of the exhibits are 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday, and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Friday.

"The students who will participate

Betty Berry, Janet Carpenter, Betsy Clark, Melanie Miller, and Tom Edwards.

The exhibits will feature a cross section of the students' works in areas such as graphic design, painting, sculpture, drawing, jewelry, ceramics and print making.

On April 25, the second exhibit will begin with art from Scott Clark, Laurie Evans, Kirk Garber, Jennifer Johnson, and Tracie Plummer.

The students will be evaluated on their work at the exhibitions," Bray

"Approximately 30 ceramic pieces, among other things will be on display," said Naomi Hunter, senior psychology major, of her personal contribution to the third exhibit. The exhibit, which begins

"I want to use artistic means to help people with their emotions...It is a communication process for the people who cannot open up."

Naomi Hunter, senior psychology major

490, a two-hour credit [course] Marty and Mary Palmer. responsibility of the preparation as well as the presentation of their own projects," said Jim Bray, head of Missouri Southern's art depart-

"The class is a full-year course; however, the student is given an "I" grade until the spring semester project is finished and the final grade is given."

Each group will be responsible for setting up their own exhibits. Participants in the first exhibit are

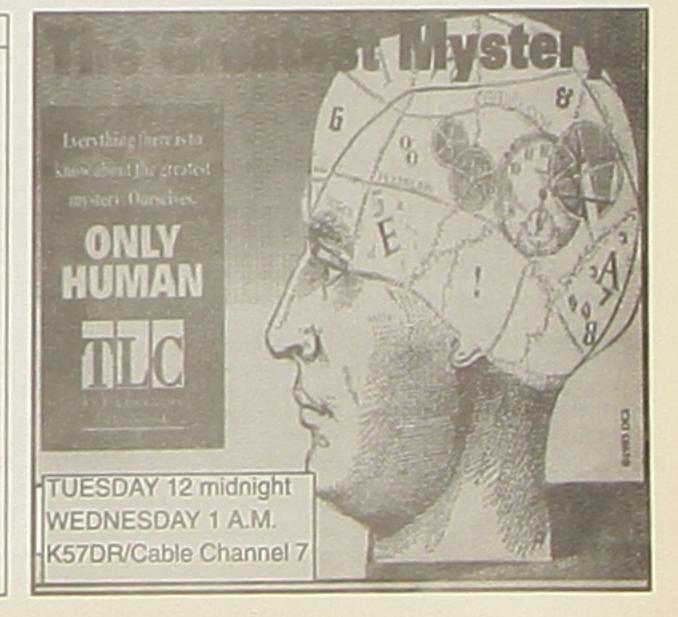
in the shows are enrolled in Art May 2, also includes Courtney

which gives the students the "I want to use artistic means to help people with their emotions," Hunter said. "It is a communication process for the people who cannot open up. Art draws out their emotions."

> May 9. Exhibitors include Colleen Blanton, Kathy Donohoe, Lisa McCune, and Kim Peterson. "If you really enjoy [art], you are

The fourth exhibit will begin on

going to express yourself through it," said Blanton. "All students are more than welcome to attend."



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WEBB CITY

3 new faces join Council

hree new faces took their during the Council's reorganization. place on the Webb City . Council Monday.

Jim Hardy (4th Ward) and 5th Ward Councilman. Michael White (6th Ward) were elected to two-year terms. The pair join Vickie Lybarger, who will complete a one-year unexpired term from the 2nd Ward.

The three new members of the Council join re-elected council members Donna Humphrey (1st Ward), Gloria Sue Means (2nd Ward), Edna Rhodes (3rd Ward), and David Surgi (5th Ward).

The Council members, who were sworn in at Monday's meeting. were elected to their posts April 6.

Sterling Gant, who had served as acting mayor since the Oct. 12 resignation of Phil Richardson, was elected to complete one year of the unexpired term. John Rainey (6th Ward) was elected mayor pro-tem on their annual sales volume.

Gant said he would appoint a successor to fill his former position as

In other action, the Council:

*Approved Gant's appointment of Paul Taylor as city attorney. Taylor, an attorney with the Webb City law firm of Myers, Taylor, and Whitworth, replaces Sylvia K. Byrnes-Ales Byrnes-Ales resigned from the post last month but will continue to work for the city through April 30. Taylor, a former assistant city attorney, will take over May 1.

·Endorsed a committee recommendation to bring the merchant's licensing fee for restaurants in line with other businesses. Gant said restaurants have been charged a maximum of \$100 annually, while other businesses are charged based

OUTDOOR LIFE

Military exercise inspires family pastime, business

Thomas builds Shoal Creek recreation area

By CHRISTINA WATKINS

ADVERTISING MANAGER

for retired Lt. Col. Guy Thomas, director of the southwestern region of the Missouri Procurement Assistance Center, a military experience led to a personal pastime—and a family business.

"In 1976, I was ordered to take a group of ROTC students to the Buffalo River for a training exercise, and I have been canoeing ever since," he said.

Throughout all of Thomas' assignments with the Army, he and his family have continued to canoe. They enjoy it so much they began a business with canoeing as the foundation. The Thomas' business is also close to Joplin.

"We've established an outdoor recreational area on Shoal Creek," Thomas said.

Ozark Sunrise Expedition is located south of Joplin on county Highway NN.

The campground is open yearround seven days a week. Thomas, along with his son, Jason, a freshman law enforcement major at Missouri Southern, began building the campground in 1991.

"We opened the raw land in the spring of 1991." Thomas said. That was a two-year search, trying to find the right land."

He and his family are familiar with the Shoal Creek area, as he ROTC commander.

The Thomas family business, sonnel. Ozark Sunrise Expedition, was officially open.

"We were open for business. We haul some people upstream,"

Thomas said.

Being a retired member of the military and involved with the small business program at Southern, Thomas is well aware of the need for a game plan.

"We have a five-year business plan," he said, "Last year we put in the latrines (flushing toilets and hot showers). This spring we want to get a half dozen RV (recreational vehicle) pads in.

"Those will have electricity, water and a dump station."

Thomas said that by next fall, a couple of small pavilions may be

The land was chosen because of its accessibility, its location on Shoal Creek, and the benefit of well-paved roads.

"I wanted [the campground location] at the terminus of the [float] trip," Thomas said. "It's for the convenience of the customer."

Thomas said that Ozark Sunrise Expedition offers fun and recreation for the entire family.

"People do swim," he said. "There is a little branch, called Jacob's Branch, that kids like to get into and chase crawdads."

Thomas said the fishing there is the best.

"Fishing is excellent," he said. "The catfish and bass are what people fish for most frequently."

Thomas said mountain biking, moonlight floats, rappelling, navigating by map and compass, crosswas stationed at Southern as an ing streams on rope bridges, or developing wilderness and camping "We got the roads in, cleared the survival skills also are available land, [and] built picnic tables," he and taught by experienced teachers who are usually retired Army per-

"What we tried to do was be more than just a canoe place," he said.

Persons wishing more information would hammer a few nails and go or to make reservations may call (417) 782-5272.

It's 'Tax Day!'



Lines at the Joplin branch of the United States Post Office will likely continue to grow throughout the day as taxpayers rush to meet today's deadline. Postal officials said they do not anticipate major problems.

By JOSEPH BOWDEN

CHART REPORTER

It may not seem like a year has passed since the last tax day, but today is April 15 and the tax man cometh.

Internal Revenue Service and U.S. Postal Service officials say that despite their best efforts taxpayers procrastinate. The result is a flood of last-minute filings that send postal workers scrambling.

Stan Whatley, superintendent of postal operations for the Joplin area, said things should go smoothly.

"I don't anticipate any problems with the extra amount of mail," he said. "We are well-equipped to meet the need for fast, accurate service that customers demand this time of year.

"We have never had any difficulty handling the amount of mail that must be processed, and we don't anticipate any problems in the future."

Meeting the April 15 deadline

Joplin postal officials are taking steps to ensure that returns will be processed as quickly as possible. Two contract stations have been established within the Joplin area. These contract stations allow individuals who are unable to utilize the collection receptacles available at either postal branch to drop off their returns there and still receive the April 15 postmark.

These receptacles will be set up in front of Dillon's TeleFile. Supermarket, 1402 E. 20th Street, and Consumer's Market, 710 Maiden Lane.

"Returns must be dropped off at these locations by 9 p.m. to receive the April 15 postmark," Whatley said. The post office also plans to use additional personnel to handle the anticipated flow of returns to the north Main Street branch.

"Additional persons will be needed to operate the canceling machine, collect mail from established receptacles, and hand cancel delivered returns." Whatley said.

Postal officials say there are four essential facts to remember to ensure a return will reach the IRS in

*If possible, use the pre-metered envelope provided in the tax instruction booklet. This envelope allows the post office to process returns more efficiently because it is pre-addressed to the IRS.

attached or the IRS cannot process the return. •Place returns in collection receptacles by April 15

•Make sure the envelope has the proper postage

to avoid interest and penalties.

•In order to be considered "on time," returns must 42 minutes. be postmarked by 11:59 p.m. on April 15.

In order to help taxpayers meet the deadline, there are several methods other than the traditional paper return by which persons may file their returns. These filing options include electronic, computerized, and

1040

Where to get free tax assistance:

Call 1-800-829-1040 for the following kinds of information: Answers to questions about completing

your return; assistance is available Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

tance and counseling to the elderly. Call 1-800-829-4477 or check your tax

Locations of volunteers who give tax assis-

package for a local number for these Tele-Tax services: Recorded information on 140 topics, such

as earned income tax credit and electronic filing.

When your refund check will be mailed. Source: Internal Revenue Service

T.R. HANRAHAN/The Charl

How can taxpayers file their taxes?

When filing an electronic return, taxpayers take their information to a tax preparer or a prepared form to an approved tax transmitter which will send the return via computer to the IRS. Electronic filing is available in all 50 states and may get returns to taxpayers more quickly.

Computerized filing allows taxpayers to use their personal computers and tax preparation software to prepare the return. The software prints out the return which can be mailed in or taken to a tax transmitter. TeleFile files returns via telephone. Currently,

TeleFile is available only to 1040EZ filers in Ohio, where the method is being tested.

How long will this take?

According to IRS estimates, the average taxpayer spends more than 10 hours preparing a return using form 1040. The breakdown is:

•Record keeping-Three hours, eight minutes. ·Learning about the law or the form-two hours,

Preparing the form—Three hours, 37 minutes.

*Copying, assembling, and sending the form to the IRS-49 minutes.

[Editor's note: The Chart Senior Editor T.R. Hanrahan contributed to this story.

TAKE BACK THE NIG Rally, sale

in works for NOW

By T.R. HANRAHAN SENIOR EDITOR

lthough a little less to two months old, the sor west Missouri chapter the National Organization Women is planning to make presence felt in Joplin. Most notably, the group is a

ning a May 8 Take Back the N march and rally in Joplin An the speakers at the rally wil Joplin Police Chief David Niels "We feel very good about has him take part," said Kelly Cza

acting chair for the group. "Sr he has been here he has established a mandatory arrest policy in o of domestic violence. We as had that before "He has been quite willing

work with us on that and the i of rape, which we take very ously."

Cannon said the slate of speak will include Niebur, a represe tive from the Lafayette House, poetry readings. After the speak finish, those in attendance are to mingle and purchase items as buttons and T-shirts that N will have on sale.

The rally is scheduled to begin 7:30 p.m. in the Memorial F parking lot. Participants will me with flashlights to Spiva P where the speakers will address crowd.

"The rally should end by ab 8:45 p.m. or 9:00 p.m.," Car said. "There will probably be to or four speakers and some poer "Also, we will have a pen

supporting the Violence Age Women Act which would m domestic violence a basis for an suit."

In addition to the rally, NOW plans for two other projects. first is a garage sale scheduled April 24 at 117 Patterson in Jon

"The garage sale is to raise for for the chapter," Cannon said." of the things we hope to do is a enough money to have T-shirt sell at the rally.

"Jean Fawcett from The L Goodbye donated nine trash b of vintage clothing and wer have other items, too."

Another project Cannon s NOW is working on is Clothesline Project. The project national effort to educate the pu about violence against women Clothesline displays shirts wh have been decorated by surve of violent acts or friends and fa of survivors. The shirts graphic depict the crime.

"It should be very visus impacting," Cannon said. "We display these at the rally and t send them to the national pro which will tour the United State

For more information on M interested persons can attend organization's regular meeting the first Thursday of each month the Joplin Community Serv Center, 110 Main, or call Can at 624-7514.

City Briefs

Registration deadline today

Today is the last day to register for the eighth annual Missouri State Historic Preservation Conference to be held tomorrow through Sunday in Carthage.

The conference-"Victorian Missouri, a Celebration"-will feature Roger W. Moss and Gail Casey Winkler, co-authors of Victorian Interior Decoration and Victorian Exterior Decoration. Moss will present programs on "Painting the Town Victorian" and on artificial lighting. Winkler will discuss wall coverings.

The fee for the conference is \$40 per person. The League. fee includes a reception and tour of four historic homes, dinner, and a tour of Precious Moments in Carthage. A dinner and Victorian ball are scheduled for Saturday.

The event is co-sponsored by the state Department of Natural Resources and Victorian Carthage, Inc. For more information, persons may call 358-0636.

St. John's to offer CPR class

A course in cardiopulmonary resuscitation and The Heimlich maneuver will be offered May 4 at St. John's Regional Medical Center in Joplin. The course will be held from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. in the 4-West classroom. The fee will be \$15 per person. For registration information, persons may call 625-2000.

Crowder to host hitting clinic

A rea youths will get a chance to up their batting Aaverages this weekend.

A hitting clinic, given by the Crowder College baseball team, is slated for Sunday afternoon at Morse Park in Neosho. The clinic will begin at 1 p.m. and is for players

divided between Crowder and the Neosho Little For more information, persons may contact Debbie Cotton at (417) 451-6329 or Jack Macy at

ages 7-15. The cost is \$20 with proceeds being

These games are special

(417) 451-5428.

The Olympic spirit is coming to Hughes Stadium on April 23.

Close to 1,000 developmentally disabled youth and adults will participate in the annual Area V Special Olympics Track and Field Games. The games will begin at 9:30 a.m.

Volunteers are needed to assist with the events. Interested persons may call Pam White at 782-7433.

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TENNIS

Busy' week on tap

V DAVID BURNETT

TAFF WRITER

the Lady Lion netters defeated Drury College Monday 7-2, to finish the week 2-1 in

The only loss came to undefeated shburn University 8-1, the other came against Emporia State niversity 6-3. Southern's record stands at 5-7 in match play.

Strong performances by Emily askwell of late have helped to sark the Lady Lions, Blackwell won her last three singles sches, including the only win at shburn, and with the assistance Diane Hoch has won two of tee doubles matches.

*Coach (Georgina Bodine) has ally helped me improve my foreand," Blackwell said. "That's robably the biggest adjustment Ive made."

Blackwell is happy with her sent singles play, but realizes that then teamed with Hoch, their dous team is going to be very hard beat in the MIAA conference remument

We have been playing very well lyear," Blackwell said.

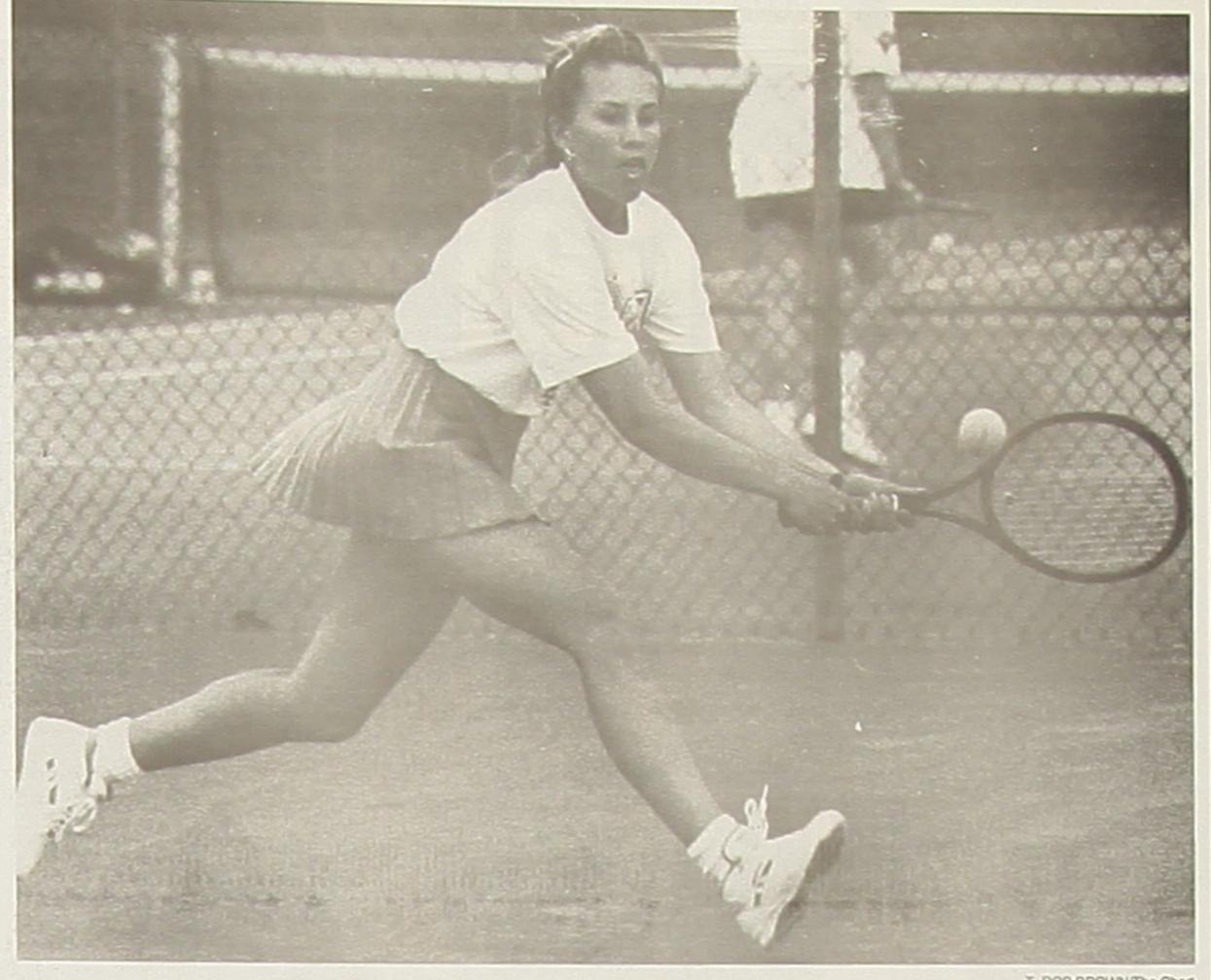
Janior Jill Fisher came away a sinner in singles, and in doubles with her partner Ali "Pepper"

'fill's serve was working well, had an overall good day," sodine said.

Southern will-play four matches week. Saturday they travel to Luiversity of Missouri-St. ons for matches against UMSL d Southwest Baptist University, be Lady; Lions then return londay for their last home match gainst Northeastern State (Okla.) inversity. They wrap up the reguseason the next day, traveling Oral Roberts University.

"We're going to be very busy this reek. But conference is right round the corner so the work will regood for us," Bodine said.

TAKING IT DOWN THE LINE



T. ROB BROWN/The Chart

Junior business major Jill Fisher lunges to return a ball in a 6-2, 6-3 victory over Drury College at home on Monday. Southern won the match 7-2.

GOLF

Hot Lions travel to Western today

By DAVID BURNETT

STAFF WRITER

he golf team did not play this week, but spent their time I practicing for the upcoming Missouri Western Invitational, which begins today. There will be 22 teams at the tournament.

"This is going to be a good measure of where we stand as a team," said head coach Bill Cox.

The Lions spent the past week in

what Cox calls "specialized train-

"What we do is break down each player's weakness and then concentrate on improving that area," Cox said. "A golfer needs to be strong at all three main areas of putting, pitching, and the long game."

The Lions have been red hot the last two tournaments finishing first and second respectively.

The second place finish would have been a first place finish, if a Southern player had not signed a

incorrect score card. The mistake cost the Lions four penalty strokes, which ended up being the margin of difference.

"A mistake was made, but its over now and we put it behind us," Cox said. "We turn negatives into learning experiences and mature from them."

The Lions are putting up some very low scores and Cox is excited about the MIAA conference tour-

"We are aiming for the confer-

ence championship. That has been our goal and it's a real possibility if we continue playing they way we are capable," Cox said.

This years team includes two seniors, Jon Anderson and Chris Claassen, who are looking forward to the postseason MIAA Tournament and the NCAA Division II National Tournament.

"Our team is playing really tough, We've got the rest of the conference scared," Anderson said.

TRACK AND FIELD

Team splits up for weekend events

Ramsey, Williams go to Kansas, rest of team competes at CMSU

By P.J. GRAHAM

ASSOCIATE EDITOR

hold them back, the Lions and Lady Lions track and feld team is splitting up this week prover to two events.

Head coach Tom Rutledge said wo athletes, freshman Jason lamsey and senior Debbie Williams, are competing in the University of Kansas Relays which arted yesterday and will continue brough Sunday. Today, Ramsey vill compete in his second day of

the decathlon event. Williams will compete in the 400 and 800 meter events tomorrow and Saturday.

Meanwhile, the rest of the team will attend the Central Missouri State University Mule Relays for an important "check-out" of the field. The MIAA Championships, on April 22-24, will also be held at

CMSU. "It will give us a chance to perform on their track," Rutledge said. "And it (The Mule Relays) is a very competitive meet."

This weekend will also be a testing ground. Rutledge said Scott Tarnowieckyi, who has had an injury, will be tried out at the meet. Four other athletes are currently plagued by injuries: Carlos Haley, Shelly Rose, Renee Artherton, and Tongula Givens. Rutledge said Rose and Artherton are currently "very questionable" and that Givens is "working through her foot injuries".

At last Friday's home meet, the MSSC Crossroads Invitational, Givens competed in the triple jump-in which she missed first place only by 3/4 of an inch. She also placed second the 200 meters and ran in the relay race.

Williams also continued her strong streak by taking first in the 800 meters and by anchoring the winning 400 meter relay team.

SOFTBALL

Lady Lions win three; tie PSU for first place

Team takes 27-8 record to Western Tourney tomorrow

he Lady Lions completed a three-game sweep Tuesday with a 2-1 victory over the University of Missouri-St. Louis to improve its MIAA Conference record to 9-1 and a tie with Pittsburg State University.

Lions opened the day with a three-inning 10-0 victory over Lincoln University. Southern also defeated Missouri-Rolla 8-0 in

the second game. The games were played at Southwest Baptist University in Bolivar after rain forced cancellations at Lincoln's field in

Jefferson City. Southern will travel to St. Joseph to compete in the Missouri Western Tournament tomorrow and Saturday. In the tournament, it will face conference foes Missouri Southern enhanced its Northwest Missouri State overall record to 27-8. The Lady University, Emporia State University, and Central Missouri State University.

GRAND SLAM



T. ROB BROWN/The Chart

Southern junior transfer Ryan Lauderdale strokes an inside-the-park grand slam home run during the Lions' 15-5 victory Saturday over Pittsburg State. Lauderdale's home run was his first as a Lion. **▶** BASEBALL

Lions enter final week with shot at MIAA 1st

By T.R. HANRAHAN

SENIOR EDITOR

Tith post-season play a virtual certainty, the baseball Lions have set their sights on hosting the MIAA

playoffs. Currently, Missouri Southern has a firm grip on second place in the MIAA South Division with a 10-3-1 conference record, just a percentage point behind the University of Missouri-St. Louis which stands at 10-3. The remaining schedule, however, favors the Lions in the hunt for the right to host the games. Southern will face Lincoln University this weekend while

UMSL will play third-place Pittsburg State University. "I think Pittsburg State has a good ball club," said Warren Turner, Lions head coach. "If they could win some ball games [this week-

end] we could have a shot at it."

Despite the lure of hosting the playoffs, Turner said Southern needs to keep focused on the present

"We've gotta win first to get in the thing, then we can think about hosting it," he said. "We've gotta take care of ourselves.

"We can't win it (South Division) until we get in the playoffs."

Turner will go with two of the Lions' top three starters against the Blue Tigers. Rick Lapka will get a rest after injuring his elbow during Southern's sweep of PSU last weekend.

"I don't know exactly when he hurt it," Turner said. "But we'll go with Matt Auer, Tod Casper, and either Curry or Hill."

Offensively, Turner said he hopes the hitting that produced 40 runs during the weekend series against PSU will continue.

said.

"I hope everyone gets hot," he



CHAD HAYWORTH

Good guys don't always finish last

halk one up for the Good Guys. Wide receiver Rod Smith got his senior season returned to him last week,

system to screw him out of it. When Smith went down in September, I, like many others said "stick a fork in him, He's done."

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Its not that I didn't have confidence in Smith's abilities to recoup or the sports medicine people to help him out.

I just think the NCAA sucks. It's an organization that seems to lose touch with reality on a regular basis. Much has been done to reform the NCAA after the the 1980s. The decade of decadence left the organization reeling. (You know, Oklahoma Sooner football, UNLV basketball, Norm Stewart's "Detroit Connection.") While the intent of reform was good, the results have been negligable at best.

You can't legislate morality, and those who choose to cheat, will. Plain and simple. The relentless pursuit to rid collegiate athletics of darker elements has had negative effects on those who are just trying to get a fair shake.

At least most of the time. Smith, I'm afraid, is the exception to the rule. He got shafted out of his senior season, his moment in the sun, by a cheap shot by a Central Missouri State University player.

But that's all in the past, I suppose. Smith returns to the gridiron for what I'm sure will be a spectacular season. Couple him with senior quarterback Matt Cook, who also returns from injury, and the Lions have a quarterback/receiver combination that is easily the class of the MIAA.

I am excited about football for the first time since Missouri Southern's season mercifully ended last November.

File this one under "B," for Blatently Stupid.

Two weeks ago, The Chart ran a staff editorial suggesting the faculty and staff at Southern should not be given raises, in light of the College's budgetary woes. I wrote a sports column that same week wishing for someone to kick in some money for improvements to Joe Becker Staduim and Lea Kungle Field.

Well, early the next week, we recieved an anonymous letter from a faculty/staff type person with both afore-mentioned articles attached. Beside the staff editorial was the usual whining and crying about how little people get paid around here. Boo-hoo.

Now normally, I would have just ignored this gutless piece of drivel, if it weren't for the comments next to the column of Yours Truly. "Ouestion," the note asked.

"Why does MSSC have such nice track and field facilities when they don't even have a track team?"

Question. How dumb are you?

Southern has had a track team for three years. And they do very well, thank you very much.

It galls me to no end when people say "Oh, we're broke. Lets cut the athletic budget."

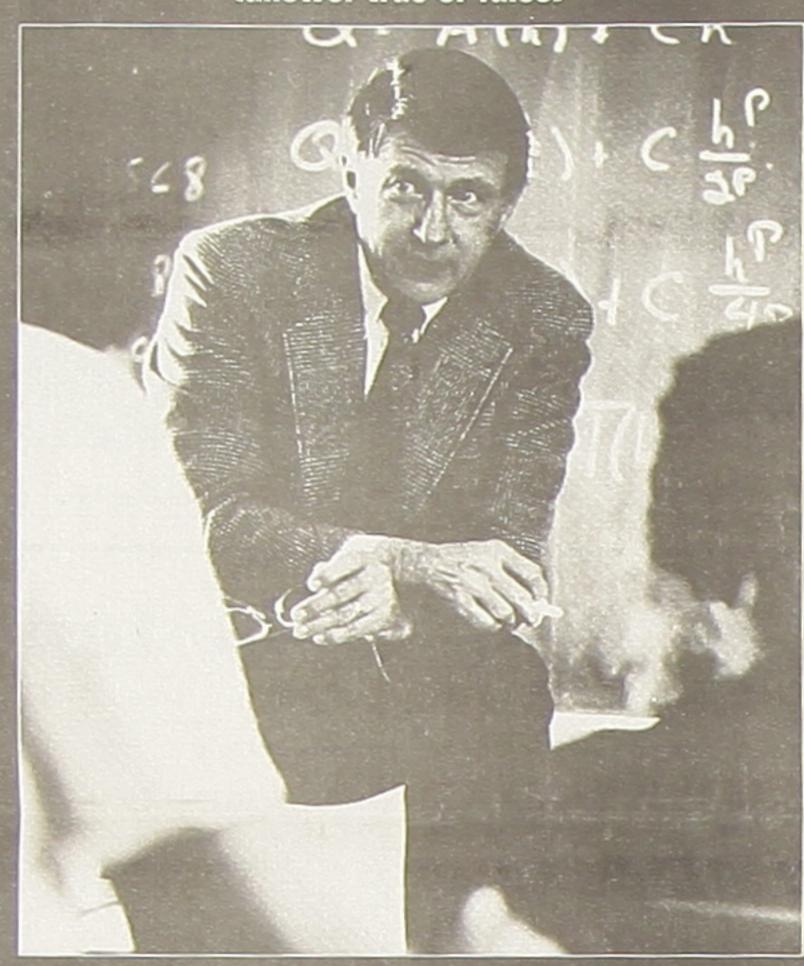
Give me a break, I would venture the athletic department helps more people come to Southern than any other on campus. Athletes are also held to higher academic standards than say, sports columnists. (But they don't work harder.)

A final thought for the anonymous letter writer. Either sign your name next time or don't bother, I don't have time for people who won't stand behind what they say.

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